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Column One
By
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MARSHAL Bulganin and Marshal Tito will meet tomorrow as Communists but as such, from all accounts, they may be considerably at variance. Luckily, both are Marshals and at least have that common ground to tread; and as for Communism, there is Mr. Nikita Khrushchev in the Bulganin party, who, I am told by all the commentators, is true-blue Communist whatever that is. The trouble for the ordinary observer (and perhaps for the Yugoslav Marshal, too), is that the good old ideological division between Soviet Communism and western Democracy no longer matters the way it did in the days of the bearded, blood-dripping Bolshevik and the overfed moneybags of Capitalist Imperialism. Russia has become a great Power, one of the two great world Powers, in terms of armies, industry and alliances; and that has complicated the simple question of Democracy vs. Bolshevism. Even if she were as morally acceptable as, say Germany, she would still be a danger to the West: there would still be need of NATO, and a parley "at the summit" and, no doubt, Yugoslavia would still be courted from Moscow and Washington.

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IDEOLOGY, therefore, is not the point of tomorrow's meeting. "Pravda's" benign leading article on the subject of the Bulganin-Khrushchev visit to Belgrade barely mentioned Communism, although no one would say that, as Communism goes, the Yugoslav regime is Communist just as the Soviet regime is. It did mention that blessed new word, co-existence. Instead of raising any objection to Yugoslavia's flirtations with the West, "Pravda" wrote that the resumption of good relations between Russia and Yugoslavia should not mean the worsening of relations between Yugoslavia and other countries. What Moscow wants is to "ease international tensions, not sharpen them." The Soviet newspaper did mention the "working class and toiling peasantry," of course; and once used the word "ideological." But some slight tribute had to be paid to the Marx-Lenin-Stalin era.

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I GATHER the Yugoslavs wish that even that little had been left out of "Pravda," especially the passage referring to the "deep ideological and cultural community between the peoples of both countries." It is feared that the reference might cause western apprehensions. Are we so easily made apprehensive? Are our objections, not to Communism, whether of the Soviet kind or the Yugoslav heresy, but to Soviet Russia and Yugoslavia getting on good terms with each other again. Power-politically, that is, of course, a valid objection. Geography is more important than ideology in considering the disposition of national forces today; and geographically, Yugoslavia holds a key place. The Soviet, fearing that the "deep ideological and cultural community between the peoples of both countries," is not enough to swing Yugoslavia into the Soviet military bloc, probably would like to see Yugoslavia neutralised, along with Austria and other marginal countries.

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A NEUTRAL belt will be discussed "at the summit." For one reason or another, most of the potential neutrals are terrified of the idea. Even Dr. Adenauer seems to think that the West is not entirely opposed to the neutral belt and has recalled his western Ambassadors (some of whom have only been at their post a few days) so that he can brief them on the question. Yugoslavia is just as opposed to the notion as Germany. For one thing, where would a neutral Yugoslavia get credits from? Who would help build up heavy industry for a neutral State? If Marshal Tito gets his way, Yugoslavia will not become neutral, but will be an industrial and military weight coveted by both East and West but held out of the balance for as long as that may seem to be a profitable course. Besides, Yugoslav newspaper comment on the Russian visit indicates an ambition on the part of the Marshal to act as a kind of broker between East and West. Communism, then seems only incidental to tomorrow's meeting. For that matter, can Communism survive in a world of co-existence? The question deserves looking into.

Jerusalem, May 25.

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IN TODAY'S
HERE and NOW

Lachish Area Opened For New Settlement

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT, Tuesday. — The Lachish settlement scheme was initiated today when the first families moved in to their new homes at Otzem at approximately noon today.

They arrived at the settlement from Haruvim where they had undergone a period of farm training. They have only been in this country a few weeks and originate from the Atlas mountains of Morocco.

Accompanying the settlers were the director of the Lachish area and his staff, who have been in close touch with the absorption of the families which are to settle in this area since their arrival in Israel. The remaining families will reach the *moshav* within the next few days and will join the first settlers in the planting of trees and preparation of the ground for farming, as well as the laying of water pipelines for other villages to be established in the area.

When they arrived today, the new villagers found wooden huts ready to accommodate them, and others for a school, clinic, synagogue, cooperative shop and administrative buildings. Drinking water has already been laid on. Their new houses will each cover 45 square metres and contain two rooms and services.

The ceremony today which was to have marked "Lachish Day," the first day of settlement in the new area was postponed because of the sudden death of Professor Yitzhak Volcani.

Cabinet Ministers, civil servants, Jewish Agency workers and others active in agricultural life in the country, who should have attended the ceremony in Moshav Otzem (Lachish One), went instead to pay their respects to the late agriculturalist in his home in Rehovot.

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Premier's Tribute To Farming Pioneer

At the opening of the Knesset session last night Prime Minister Sharett paid the following tribute to Prof. Volcani:

"I am sure I shall be expressing the will of the House if I propose at the beginning of this session that it pay respect to the revered memory and the blessed life work of Yitzhak Eleazari Volcani.

"A pioneer of thought in the new agriculture and settlement, the father of agricultural research and planning in our generation, a man who stood all his days in the forefront of our scientific work in this field and who paved the way for the Hebrew settler and tiller of the soil.

"May his memory be blessed."

Yitzhak Volcani Dead, Aged 75

We regret to announce the death of Prof. Yitzhak Volcani, founder of the Agricultural Station at Rehovot, at the age of 75.

Prof. Volcani, who suffered a heart seizure on Monday night, was taken to Kaplan Hospital where he died at 4.30 yesterday morning.

The news of his death spread rapidly and the bereaved family

was visited by many friends and public figures including the Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Y. Sprinzak, the Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, Mr. Berl Locker, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Y. Ephrati, and Mr. S. Dayan, M.K.

The funeral is to take place at 12.30 today, when the cortege will enter the Agricultural Station here and proceed to Nahalal, where Professor Volcani will be buried. Nahalal was

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Sharett Flatly Denies Charges Of Wire-Tapping

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Prime Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, said in the Knesset last night that there was no foundation to the charge that squads of any political party had been assigned by the Government to intercept the correspondence of Ministers or other citizens, or to tap their telephones.

Mr. Sharett was replying to interpellations by Mr. I. Bar-Yehuda (Ahdut Ha'avoda) and Mr. A. Assaf (Mapai) concerning an article in "Haboker" on May 18 by Mr. P. Bernstein, Minister of Commerce and Industry.

The article, as quoted by Mr. Bar-Yehuda, contained the following sentence: "There is reason to believe, and more than just believe, that the correspondence of non-Mapai Ministers(but not of Ministers alone), and their telephone conversations, are under surveillance which has been assigned to suitable squads of the party."

No Espionage

The Prime Minister stated that there was no foundation for the assumption that the Government had assigned espionage tasks to squads—suitable or otherwise — of any party whatsoever. Nothing of the sort had ever occurred.

The Government had no knowledge of illegal activity of this kind, carried on within its offices, Mr. Sharett continued, and anyone who possessed reliable information concerning such activity was requested to turn it over to the proper authorities for investigation.

Mr. Assaf asked whether Mr. Bernstein, prior to the publication of his article, had complained to the Prime Minister that Ministers' telephones were being tapped.

The Prime Minister replied that a complaint of this nature had been submitted, but that it had not involved a Minister. He had investigated the complaint and found it to be without foundation. He had then requested the Minister of Commerce and Industry to produce some genuine evidence or other proof on which to base the suspicion, in which case the Prime Minister would renew the investigation. However, he had received no reply.

Namir Tells ICFTU Of Histadrut Progress

VIENNA, Tuesday. — The fact that the Arab countries get arms and equipment does not serve to ease tension, but unsettles the balance of power, threatening the security of Israel, Mr. Mordecai Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, told the fourth world congress of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions yesterday.

Mr. Namir, who heads a Histadrut delegation to the congress, underlined the importance of work done in undeveloped countries. He welcomed the improved international situation but regretted the tension in the Middle East, an area which sorely needs development and investments, and a rise in the standard of living.

He described the progress of the Histadrut in all fields, stressing the progress achieved by Arab workers in Israel, who enjoy the highest standard of living in the entire Middle East.

The congress today discussed the problems of regional activities. President Omar Becu, of Turkey, laid emphasis on these activities in his address, pointing out, "great regions of the earth which for ages have lain dormant are rapidly waking up, and this brings serious problems of many kinds... awakening peoples turn to Democracy or Communism."

Mr. George Meany, President of the American Federation of Labour, said that the "only threat to human liberty and world peace are the dictators of the Kremlin." His speech was repeatedly interrupted by the applause of the delegates. He said neutrality is a "luxury" because there is "no compromise between liberty and slavery."

(INA, (Reuter, UP)

Cyprus Scholars Rally for Enosis

By IRIS K. RUSSELL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NICOSIA, Tuesday. — Schoolboys and schoolgirls ruled Nicosia's streets today for more than an hour when they streamed from Greek secondary schools to demonstrate for *enosis* on the occasion of Empire Day.

Shouting slogans like "Britain get out," and "Down with Victoria," they stoned British service cars and police vehicles. A British airman was slightly injured when a stone smashed the windscreen of the lorry he was driving.

In Famagusta and Larnaca, schoolchildren went to school, defying the holiday, and shouted slogans in teacherless classrooms.

NEW HUNGARY PURGE SEEN LIKELY

VIENNA, Tuesday (UP). — The Hungarian Communist paper "Szabad Nep" today warned that a new purge of the Workers Party may be coming up, according to Budapest Radio.

The paper charged party officials with lack of vigilance in admitting new members including "bourgeois elements who excercise undue influence within the organization."

Mapai Attacked for Proposals On Voting Rights Abroad

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Speakers from all sections of the House except Mapai expressed their strong opposition to all or part of the amendments to the Knesset Election Law which were presented for their first reading last night by the Minister of Interior, Mr. I. Rokach. The debate is to continue this morning.

The bill extends the right to vote to civil servants on official duty abroad and to their spouses and to crews of Israel airplanes. With regard to Israel ships, the bill limits the franchise to crews only, whereas the present law gives the right to all citizens "on Israel ships."

Polling places would be established on Israel ships, and in embassies and consulates. Voting would take place on election day or earlier, as decided by the Central Election Committee, in order to ensure the arrival of the ballots in Israel in due time. The ballots would be deposited in double envelopes, as are those of the Defence Forces.

The bill also permits the submission of appeals to the courts by citizens whose names do not appear on the voters' lists, even if such citizens did not submit an appeal to the Ministry of Interior.

Combining Districts

It extends from June 3 to June 10 the last date for the submission of party lists of candidates, and it authorizes the combining of election districts, in which there are only a few voters.

One of the chief objections to the bill was that the period immediately preceding election day was no time to change the election law. "Changing the rules of the game in the middle of play" was the way Dr. Y. Bader (Herut) put it. Mr. M. Unna (Hapoel Hamizrahi) agreed that no change not essential for the conduct of the elections should be made at this time.

Mr. S. Beba (General Zionist) saw in the amendments a disrespect for the law, which was being changed "every Monday and Thursday."

Declaring that the change in the date for submitting party lists had been made solely for the convenience of Mapai, he said that the parties should adapt themselves to the law and not vice versa.

Dr. Bader also questioned whether the secrecy of the overseas ballots would be properly preserved.

Mr. Izhar Harari (Progressive) thought that in an effort to achieve "absolute democracy" by extending the franchise to citizens abroad, we were making democracy itself ridiculous. Polling places might be established for three civil servants in Los Angeles, two in Buenos Aires, or one in Marseilles.

The bill was supported by Mr. J. Shapiro and Mr. D. Bar-Rav-Hay of Mapai. The former declared that the number of persons to whom the bill would extend the franchise was too small to have any substantial influence on the election results. What was involved here was a principle: wherever possible Israel citizens not in Israel through no fault of their own should be allowed to vote.

Mr. Bar-Rav-Hay was incensed that opponents of the bill had "exaggerated the difficulties" involved. The system of double envelopes was perfectly legitimate, he declared.

A number of speakers noted the fact that the idea of extending the suffrage to certain groups of citizens abroad had its origin in an amendment by Dr. M. Sneh (Communist) which unexpectedly passed during the second reading of the Knesset Election Law in January. It added the phrase "or in Israel ships" to the definition of qualified voters. It was after this that the Government decided that for technical reasons this be limited to ships' crews, and to extend the vote to aircraft crews and to civil servants overseas.

KAGANOVITCH HEAD OF SOVIET LABOUR BODY

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Mr. Lazar Kaganovitch, a Soviet first Deputy Prime Minister, has been appointed Chairman of the Soviet State Committee of Labour and Wages, Moscow Radio announced tonight. The Supreme Soviet set up the Committee to advise the Council of Ministers on questions of labour and wages.

The announcement said that the Committee's task was "to strengthen state control over the work of ministries and directorates and to improve their work in all questions of labour and wages."

EUROPE EAST-WEST TRADE INCREASES

GENEVA, Tuesday (Reuter). — East-West trade in Europe reached a new post-war record level in 1954, according to figures released today by the U.N. Economic Commission for Europe. West European exports to the East totalled $973.5m., a 23 per cent increase over 1953; East European exports to the West reached $1,034.3m., a 14 per cent rise.

BONN TO ACCEPT ISRAEL CURRENCY

BONN, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Economics Ministry is expected to allow the general acceptance of the "soft" currencies in payment for exports to Israel and Rumania, government sources said here.

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18,200 Men Stay Out In U.K. Dock Strike

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — More than one-third of the dockers at six major British ports stayed out on strike for the second day today as their leaders hurried here for a union delegate conference to discuss the situation.

About 18,200 men, mainly members of the National Amalgamated Stevedores and Dockers Union, are involved in the stoppage which is in support of claims for recognition of the union in the industry's negotiating machinery.

A total of 86 ships are idle, compared with 74 yesterday. A further 82 are undermanned.

'Bogeyman' Bevan Not Next Premier

LONDON, Tuesday (UP). — The Labour Party today officially denied a Conservative newspaper's claim that left wing leader, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, would be Prime Minister if Labour wins Thursday's election.

"Mr. Attlee's leadership of the Labour Party is beyond question," the Party Chairman, Mr. Morgan Phillips, said in a formal statement. "This is a desperate and irresponsible attempt by a Tory newspaper (the "Daily Sketch") to make a bogey man out of Mr. Bevan, but I am confident that the good sense of the British people will not be gulled by such a sordid manoeuvre."

The statement was coupled today with a Labour claim in the "Daily Herald" that this week's "Pravda" article shows that "the international climate has changed sharply for the worse."

This appeared to be the big election eve assault gun with which Labour hopes to swing the electorate back from an apparent swing to the right.

The Conservatives may well suffer something of a set-back over Anglo-American differences which have clouded over earlier optimism resulting from Sir Anthony Eden's claimed success in achieving four-power summit talks.

Sir Anthony told a Birmingham audience last night that he wanted "ample time" at the top-level conference, while President Eisenhower has insisted that the conference be brief.

(Reuter, UP)

Infiltrator Sought Asylum Here

RAMLEH, Tuesday.—"I want to live in the State of Israel because it is good to be an Arab citizen of the State of Israel," a 19-year-old infiltrator from the Gaza strip told a military court at Lydda today.

It was stated in evidence that he had crossed the Egyptian-Israel lines at the beginning of March carrying a white flag, and had surrendered himself to the security forces in the region. He asked to be allowed to stay in Israel because he found it impossible to exist in Egypt.

The court sentenced him to one year in prison for infiltrating.

One Killed, One Hurt In Jeep Crash

TIBERIAS, Tuesday. — Zvi Anzelovitz, 34, a driver from Safad, was fatally injured and Mishka Loewenko, of Rosh Pina, was seriously hurt when their jeep van hit a tree and overturned near Kibbutz Mahanayim this afternoon. They were delivering bread from the Safad Hagalil Cooperative. The driver apparently lost control of the wheel near a bend just before the accident occurred. The jeep was smashed. Anzelovitz died on the way to the Afula Hospital.

STUDENTS SLOW IN COUNTING VOTES

Approximately 1,800 of the Hebrew University's 2,700-member Student's Organization went to the polls yesterday to vote for their General Committee of 110 members.

Although 11 of the 12 polling stations had been closed by 8:15 in the evening, the Election Committee gave only the following partial results at 1 a.m.: Of 799 votes cast in four polling stations of the Liberal Arts Faculty, 266 were for Mapai; 150, Ahdut Ha'avoda; 143, religious students; 78, General Zionists; 75 Communists; 44 Mapam and 33, Brit Haleumit (Herut). Of 186 votes cast in one of the Law Faculty polling stations; 57 went to Mapai; 20, Ahdut Ha'avoda; 22, religious students; 48 General Zionists, 11 Communists; eight Mapam and 11 Brit Haleumit.

The campaign this year was tinged with the excitement of a general election year and brought out some 60 per cent of eligible voters as compared to 53 per cent last year.

The outgoing Committee has a 51.8 per cent Mapai-Mapam representation (last year both parties, including Ahdut Ha'avoda joined on one list); 17 per cent non-affiliated (most of whom turned up this year on the General Zionist list); 16.7 religious students; 9.8 Communists and four per cent Progressives.

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Open Warfare Looming In South Vietnam

SAIGON, Tuesday. — Full-scale civil war may break out in South Vietnam this week between Premier Ngo Dinh Diem's national army and the Hoa Hao private army under the warlord General Bacut.

Military intelligence reports said that the national army had completed a hurried transfer of about 7,000 troops to the maze of rice paddies and waterways southwest of here where General Bacut and his estimated 37,000 men hold sway.

According to one persistent rumour broadcast by Hanoi radio in North Vietnam, General Bacut and his allies, the Bien Xuyen private army, are planning to blockade Saigon tomorrow, cutting off the capital's food supplies.

The rebels have changed over to guerrilla tactics, dispersing their forces in the countryside, preferring not to meet the national army head on. Premier Diem's troops are reported to have delayed their "final mop-up offensive" as rebel battle lines have disapppeared.

The Government has flown reinforcements to the western provinces of Cochin China to counter reported preparation for guerrilla warfare there, also by the Hoa Hao, which is said to be tightening its hold on roads through the region.

(Reuter, UP)

Juin to Advise On Action in Algeria

PARIS, Tuesday. — Premier Edgar Faure called urgent defence and Cabinet meetings today to consider sending more reinforcements to join the 100,000 troops in Algeria where civil warfare is intensifying daily.

At the same time, Marshal Alphonse Juin, France's top soldier, who holds no official post, is going to Algeria on Sunday to address an ex-servicemen's congress. But as former Resident-General of Morocco, and one of the country's foremost experts on Moslem affairs, he is expected to discuss military and political strategy with government and army representatives in Algiers.

Growing concern was shown by the decision of the Minister of Interior, M. Maurice Bourges-Maunory, to fly on Thursday to Algeria with new instructions for the anti-terrorist campaign. It was also recalled that two days ago, Premier Faure mentioned in a speech that another division would be sent to Algeria from Germany.

The new outbreak of violence marking the closing days of *Ramadan* has claimed 26 victims in Morocco and 26 in Algeria during the past week. Three Moroccans were killed and two wounded in terrorist attacks last night.

In Tunisia, where a French soldier on leave was stabbed to death in a fight yesterday, the French authorities are watching the widening rift between the old guard nationalists, and those who are prepared to accept the French offer of home rule.

(Reuter, UP)

Agreement on Jordan Border Reported

Israel and Jordan agreed yesterday on the demarcation of Armistice lines in the "danger zone of the border area," U.P. reports.

The agreement, reportedly reached by a sub-committee of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, was regarded by U.N. circles as a good sign in the development of Israel-Jordan relations, the despatch added.

General E. L. M. Burns, Chief of Staff of the U.N.T.S.O. called on Mr. Y. Tekoa, Director of Armistice Affairs at the Foreign Ministry on Monday. They discussed current affairs, including the signing of a local commanders agreement with Jordan, for the whole of the Armistice line, and the question of the four Israel soldiers held in Damascus.

General Burns is going to Damascus over the weekend to take up the latter question.

CELEBRATE SHAVUOT WITH
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US to Speed Study Of Menon's China Plan

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — The U.S. is prepared to give urgent consideration to any firm proposals for talks with China on Formosa which Mr. Krishna Menon may bring here next month, official sources said today.

India's top diplomatic expert is understood to have gained during his recent Peking talks at least partial approval from the Communist leaders for a complicated formula to overcome obstacles in the way of a conference.

Under it, the Chinese Nationalists and Communists would renounce plans for invading each other. The Nationalists would withdraw from the offshore islands and the Communists would show their sincerity by releasing American airmen held in prison.

One point in the plan, it is understood, is the holding of a five-nation conference comprising two nations nominated by Washington (probably the U.S. and Nationalist China) and two nominated by Peking (presumably Russia and China).

Information Wanted

American officials said they would be very grateful for any information Mr. Menon could give about the chances of finding a basis for talks with China.

At his Press conference today, the Secretary of State Mr. Dulles, said he had received no report from the Indian Government on the outcome of Mr. Menon's talks.

Mr. Menon is now on his way to India to report to Mr. Nehru on his talks with Mr. Chou En-lai, the Chinese Premier.

It was authoritatively learned in New Delhi today that Mr. Menon is expected to visit Britain in the first week of June for talks with the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary. He would then proceed to Washington, probably to confer with President Eisenhower and Mr. Dulles.

US Against Making Germany Neutral

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — The U.S. has assured West Germany that she was opposed to the neutralisation either of West Germany or a unified Germany, Mr. John Foster Dulles said at his press conference here today. He had been asked to interpret a statement made by President Eisenhower last week on the concept of neutralising a series of states in Europe, including Germany. Mr. Dulles said that Mr. Eisenhower would deal with that question at the Presidential press conference tomorrow.

(It was later announced that Mr. Eisenhower has cancelled the regular conference because he and Mrs. Eisenhower are giving a White House garden party.)

The Secretary of State said that the U.S. does not expect to take up matters of substance at the proposed meeting of the heads of government of the Four Powers.

He added that a correct interpretation of the invitation of the Western Powers to the Soviet Union for such a meeting was that it would be procedural and not for negotiations.

He said that the Big-Four meeting would be an attempt to open up new paths to solve some of the world problems. It was not believed that, in the time available, problems which had defied solution for years and generations were going to be solved.

Gaza Raids Help B.G. To Power: 'Times'

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — "The Times" suggested today that Israelis may again choose Mr. David Ben-Gurion as their leader if the situation on the country's borders does not improve.

"The tension in the Gaza area is not without influence on the internal situation in Israel" it said. "The feeling that Israel is a 'beleaguered city' is once again uppermost in the mind of the ordinary man: and the result has been greatly to increase the prestige of Mr. Ben-Gurion, who is openly saying that foreign declarations and decisions about Israel count for much less than what Israel does for herself.

"As Defence Minister, he is putting his theory into practice by retaliating vigorously and without any concealment against Arab attacks on Israel territory. And he can afford, he thinks, to ignore the opinion of the outside world so long as he is supported at home — which at present he is."

"The Times" said that the present cabinet under Mr. Moshe Sharett had done well, adding: "but if the situation on the frontiers does not improve, it may well be that the country will turn to Mr. Ben-Gurion to lead it again."

US Envoy Told To Protest Reprisals

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (INA). — The State Department has instructed the U.S. Ambassador in Israel, Mr. Edward Lawson, to protest to Premier Moshe Sharett against Israel's announced reprisal action in the Gaza Strip last week, it was learned here yesterday.

Meanwhile, Department sources indicated that the Government feels that the most recent Gaza incident and Israel's alleged "reprisal policy" is preventing reappraisal of U.S. Middle Eastern policy along the lines sought by Israel.

Suggestions by Zionist leaders here that the U.S. conclude a security pact with Israel are now being discussed within the State Department, with departmental circles beginning to advance the view that Israel, to enhance her chances for such consideration, must abandon the "negative policy of reprisals."

France Shows Increasing Interest in Israel

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — "France is showing increased interest in Israel," said the Ambassador to Paris, Mr. Y. Tsur, on his arrival at Lydda Airport for consultations today.

Mr. Tsur said that a week ago Radio Paris devoted a complete programme to the State of Israel.

A few days before leaving for Israel, Mr. Tsur paid an official visit to Marseilles as a guest of the Government of France and the Marseilles Municipality. There he was presented by the Archbishop of Marseilles with a small Scroll of the Law. The Archbishop will cross into Israel through Mandelbaum gate on June 6.

The delays in North African immigration, Mr. Tsur said, were due to administrative restrictions and will serve as the subject of discussions between the Governments of France and Israel. Mr. Tsur said that he did not think that there would be any difficulty in arriving at a settlement.

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Turkey's relations with Israel: views from Ankara and Paris, where the latest NATO conference was held, by two Jerusalem Post correspondents; Louis Lipsky on Israel's Labour Leaders—a veteran American Zionist Leader's tribute to the Second Aliya; a review of Jules Moch's "To Disarm Or Perish"; Foster Homes in Israel; and the regular features, in the Shavuot week-end edition of The Jerusalem Post tomorrow (no paper on Friday). 150 pruta at your newsstand; reserve your copy today.

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Social & Personal

A reception for the Canadian Hadassah-Wizo group now touring the country and Wizo Executive members was held by the Canadian Chargé d'Affaires and Mrs. Tidd at their home in Ramat Gan yesterday.

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Dr. and Mrs. Aage Bertelsen, of Denmark, visited the Hebrew University on Sunday and were the guests of honour at a University luncheon. Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Rosenzweig, active workers for the University in Brussels, visited the University this week and were guests at a luncheon on Monday.

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ARRIVALS: Mr. Ephraim Ilin, General Manager of Kaiser-Frazer, from Turkey; Mr. E. Weill, General Secretary of the Alliance Israélite in France, from Istanbul.

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DEPARTURES: Mr. Oved Ben-Ami, Mayor of Natanya, for New York; The Consul General of Panama and Mrs. M. Misrahi, for several months home leave; Dr. Y. Mehlman, Acting Director of the Department of Education and Culture of the World Zionist Organization, to the U.S. for two months; Dr. Haim Lipshitz of the Department of Torah Culture of the Ministry of Education and Culture, for Europe and the U.S.; Mr. Julian Meltzer, Director of Public Relations of the Weizmann Institute, for Europe and the U.S.; Mr. A. Dor, Chief Engineer of Mahtzavei Yisrael, for Zurich; Mme. E. Dubois, wife of the Belgian Minister, for Brussels; Mr. M. Tel, Managing Director of the General Tire Company, for Istanbul and Finland.

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Prof. H. Mumford Jones will speak on "The Bible and the American Imagination" at the Technion at 8.15 this evening under Israel-American Friendship League auspices.

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Dr. A. Bein will address the Haifa Rotary Club today on "Theodor Herzl."

Local Councils Adopt

KFAR SABA, Tuesday.—An was today "adopted" by the Herzlia and Kfar Shmaryahu Local Councils and the Sharon Coast Regional Council at the base.

During the ceremony of exchanging banners,

After the ceremony, the in battle dress, marched through the streets of Herzlia and Kfar Shmaryahu. A public fiesta followed.

Automation Can Produce More Food, Cuts Use of Skilled Labour

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Coming technologies of automation may well provide the clue by which Israel can find the means to feed more people with fewer skilled workers, Mr. Benjamin Cooper, President of the New York City engineering firm of Teller and Cooper, said in an address before the Technion and the Productivity Institute.

Pointing to the extraordinary potentials of the completely mechanized and automatically self-regulating factory, particularly as it is being developed in the U.S. today, Mr. Cooper declared that for Israel, automation when it does arrive may be an even greater boon. "Because," he explained, "with the country's industrial plant now still in its infancy, it can be developed almost from scratch with the knowledge and awareness of what lies ahead."

But first, he warned, "Israel is going to have to re-orient her thinking, to confine her industrial development to fewer, more specialized channels.

"Israel cannot continue to develop offshoots in dozens of different directions. Manufacturing costs are going to establish whether Israel can successfully compete in the world market with other countries, as she must if she is to achieve her rightful development.

"The answer to production costs, sooner or later, lies in more and more automation. But this is predicated on the establishment of a high degree of standardization and specialization. The product must be so standardized that it is possible to design automatic equipment. This is only economical in large-scale production involving large investment."

In conjunction with his talk Mr. Cooper presented the first showing anywhere outside the U.S. of a special film on "The New Industrial Revolution" which recently created widespread comment when originally presented over the C.B.S. television network. The film depicts in dramatic detail some of the most striking achievements in automation.

Noting that "feedback," or self-regulation, is the key to the new technology, which he described as "the harnessing of electronic brains to mechanical muscles," Mr. Cooper sketched vividly the current levels of advancement.

"Already automated equipment can process raw materials, assemble them into finished goods, package and load them into freight cars all without the aid of human hands.

"The automated machines adjust to variable productive conditions, they correct their own mistakes, inspect their finished products and even put in their own replacements when parts break up or wear out. Today automation is used to refine oil, make artillery shells, put together television sets, bake cakes, process chemicals, generate electric power, post accounts and build car engines.

"In these automated factories a few engineers and a maintenance crew are the only personnel required, and they spend most of their time checking the dials on control panels; the machines do everything else."

As a dramatic example, Mr. Cooper cited one of the new boring machines used in the building of jet engines — "a many-armed monster which uses 55 carbide tools of 800 h.p. and does at one clip for 90 cents what used to cost $1,200 and take hours of painstaking labour." "It condenses a 20-acre plant into 20 square feet," he added, and "costs half-a-million dollars but replaces machinery that cost $52m."

More impressive than cost savings, he declared, is the increase in precision and accuracy which reaches infinitesimal degrees and capacities no human operator could approach. He described the giant computers which can multiply two five-digit numbers in one-twenty-five-thousandth of a second and solve in 15 minutes problems which might take professional mathematicians 15 years to do.

For the future, Mr. Cooper envisioned the development of automation to a point where it will not merely control one assembly line but whole factories and chains of factories in far-flung points — "all from a central control board of intelligence fed into it by these more-than-human brains, the giant computers.

"However, though machines may displace, they will never replace the man," he adds. "Human judgment and human responsibility will be more necessary than ever to control the robots so they remain servo-mechanisms and put the lie forever to the legend of the Frankenstein monster."

The firm which Mr. Cooper heads has pioneered for 25 years in the development of digital computers, automatic testing, recording and control devices which are helping to bring about automation processes. He is perhaps even more famous as inventor of automatic toll collection and fraud-detection systems used on all major toll bridges, tunnels and highways throughout the world.

As National Vice-President of the American-Israel Chamber of Commerce and National Treasurer of the American Friends of the Technion, Mr. Cooper has long been interested in the scientific and economic progress of Israel. Last year he established a programme of continuing annual exchange scholarships for graduates of the Technion. Each scholarship will include a year of graduate study at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology plus the opportunity to work for an additional year at one of the Teller & Cooper plants.

FIRE GUTTED a Tel Aviv textile shop in Rehov Nahlat Binyamin on Monday night. It took four fire-engines two-and-a-half hours to put out the flames.

Celler Hits Spanish Exclusion of Israel

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — Representative Emanuel Celler said yesterday he is "pressing for a satisfactory answer" from Spanish diplomats here as to why Israel is not being invited to the Mediterranean Olympic Games to be held in Barcelona.

He said that the reason given by Spanish Ambassador Jose M. De Areilza — that participation is limited by prior agreement to those nations which took part in the previous Mediterranean Games, held in Alexandria, Egypt — was "not satisfactory at all."

"There were no Israel Athletes at Alexandria because no Israeli can go to Egypt," the Congressman said. "But this is a new deal. Barcelona is not Egypt, it is Spain.

"I am very disappointed in the attitude shown by the Spanish Government. Spain needs good relations in this country. This does not make for good relations. It is not the sporting thing to do."

Mr. Celler said he plans to see Areilza soon to press the point that in "excluding" Israel, Spain would be "acting in a very arbitrary way and in violation of the spirit and law governing Olympic Games."

Mr. Celler said Areilza's explanation of the reason Israel is not being invited was set forth in a letter he received from the Ambassador, in reply to one from Mr. Celler. He quoted the Ambassador as saying this "kind of thing would be less prone to occur if Israel had diplomatic relations with Spain."

"I am sure it is no fault of Israel's that there are no diplomatic relations between the two countries," Mr. Celler said in comment. "Such relations would be to the advantage of Israel and to the advantage of Spain."

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Mickey Mantle Fans, Ends Streak

NEW YORK, Tuesday (UP.) — Baltimore's Erv Palica struck out Mickey Mantle yesterday to end the New York Yankee outfielder's run of success. In the 18 appearances, Mantle received nine walks, hit one homer, one triple, two doubles, a bunt single and reached base on an error.

The League standings after Sunday's games were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W	L	PCT	GB
New York	25	11	.676	—
Cleveland	22	12	.647	1
Chicago	20	13	.606	2½
Detroit	19	16	.543	4½
Washington	15	19	.438	8
Boston	15	21	.417	9
Kansas City	14	21	.400	9½
Baltimore	10	26	.286	13½

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W	L	PCT	GB
Brooklyn	27	8	.771	—
New York	21	14	.600	6
Chicago	20	18	.526	7½
Milwaukee	18	18	.500	9½
St. Louis	16	16	.500	9½
Cincinnati	15	19	.441	11½
Pittsburgh	11	24	.314	16
Philadelphia	10	25	.286	16

Police Do Well In Ramatkal Debut

Central Command and Nahal in one group and Training Command in the other topped the lists in the play-offs of the Chief of Staff Cup Competition for military soccer teams. For the first time ever, a Police team participated and will continue to do so, according to present plans.

The newcomers did quite well against known strong military set-ups, for in two games in its group it drew 4-4 with the Armoured Corp. and went down by only 1-0 against Training Command, which must be one of the favourites to win the trophy this year.

RESULTS were: GROUP I: Nahal 6, Navy 2; Central Comm. 4, Air Force 0; Nahal 4, Air Force 0; Central Comm. 4, Navy 2. **GROUP II:** Armoured Corp. 4, Police 4; Training Comm. 6, Northern Comm. 0; Training Comm. 1, Police 0; Northern Comm. 4, Armoured Corp. 3.

J.K.

Amonia Due Today

The Cyprus team, Amonia, is due to arrive here today — Wednesday — on a return visit for a tour to the Island made last year by a Hapoel-Maccabi selected team. The visitors' first game is scheduled for Friday next at Petah Tikva against a selected team from the local Hapoel and Maccabi teams. Two more games are scheduled, one on Saturday, May 28, against Kfar Saba Hapoel at Kfar Saba, and the third the following Monday at Jaffa Basa ground against Tel Aviv Betar.

Israel Wins in S. Africa

PORT ELIZABETH, Tuesday (Reuter). — Israel beat South Africa 10-4 in a table tennis international here last night.

Cinemas

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At 3.30, 6.45 and 8.45 p.m.

- **ARNON:** "No Niego mi Pasado." 2nd week.
- **EDEN:** Valley of the Kings.
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- **ORNA:** Blowing Wild.
- **ORION:** Night People, 2nd week.
- **ORGIL:** Fighter Attack.
- **RON:** The Adventures of Peter Pan, 3rd week.
- **STUDIO:** Orphee.
- **TEL OR:** Appointment in Honduras.
- **ZION HALL:** "Canzoni di Mezzo Secolo."

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At 3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

- **ALLENBY:** Call me Madam, 2nd week.
- **CHEN:** Human Desire.
- **ESTHER:** Knights of the Round Table, 3rd week.
- **MATMID:** A Paratrooper's Story. 10 a.m. till 12 p.m.
- **MOGRABI:** The Violent Men, 2nd week.
- **OPHIR:** Hill 24 Doesn't Answer. 10th week.
- **ORION:** Apache, 2nd week.
- **TAMAR:** The Passionate Friends. 2nd week. Matinees: Bright Victory, continuous from 9.45 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.
- **YARON:** "Le Mouton a cinq pattes" 3rd week.

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- **ATZMON:** Carnival Story.
- **PEER:** "L'Age de l'Amour."
- **GAL OR:** I Confess. Matinees: Outside the Wall.
- **MORIAH:** The Blue Veil.
- **AMPHITHEATRE:** The Egyptian. 2nd week.
- **ORAH:** "Catena," 3rd week.
- **ARMON:** Hill 24 Doesn't Answer, 4th week.
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Department of Antiquities special exhibition: Excavations of a Canaanite Temple on the seashore of Nahariya (XVIIIth-XVth centuries B.C.E.), 35 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Open 9-1, 4-6.

Abstract and Surrealist Art. Also Exhibition of Brazilian Architecture. Exhibit of the Month: "Yehuda-Haggada," illuminated Ashkenazic Passover Haggada. Bezalel Museum, 9-1, 3-6 p.m.

Paintings by Pinhas Abramovitz, Artists House, 10-1, 4-7.

Exhibition of Eilat Section of the Geological Map 1:100,000 by Y. Ben-Hur and Z. Frouman at 6 p.m. at the Geological Institute.

★ **Tours:—**

Hebrew University conducted tour. New Administration Building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta, 10 a.m.

★ **Film Show: —**

Keren Hayesod, for tourists and visitors. 11.30 a.m.

★ **Theatre: —**

Peisachke Burstein and Lilian Lux with Motele and Eisele in the Revue: "Hot's Mir Und Zeit's Mir." Edison, 9 p.m.

TEL AVIV

★ **Lecture: —**

Abba Eban — "Israel on the International Agenda" — Z.O.A. House — 8.30 p.m.

★ **Exhibitions:—**

1) Compositions for Murals and architectural works by E. Sebba. Museum, daily 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

★ **Theatre:—**

Cameri Theatre, "The Miser," Mograbi Hall, 9 p.m.

Cameri Theatre, "As You Like It," Cameri Theatre Hall, 9 p.m.

Habimah, "The Tea House of the August Moon". Habimah, 9 p.m.

Ohel, "The Good Soldier Schweik," Ohel Theatre, 9 p.m.

HAIFA

★ **Exhibitions:—**

Reproductions of "Human face in art," Municipal Museum, Town Hall.

Ceramics by Wolfgang Mayer-Michael, "Pots in Different Moods," Tzedim Art Gallery, 6 Rehov Bograshov. 10-1, 4-7.

National Flower exhibition and special Post Office Branch in the Gan Binyamin.

★ **Concert: —**

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★ **Lectures: —**

Mr. Fidia Piattelli, President of the Dante Alighieri Committee in Tel Aviv, on "The Art of Leonardo da Vinci and of Caravaggio." Technion, Hall 84. Free entrance.

Mr. Shadmi of the Gardeners' Association, will lecture on "Tour in Israel Gardens." Slides will also be shown. Municipal Museum, Town Hall, 8.30 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

★ **Theatre:—**

Do-Re-Mi, "Ball in Savoy," well-known operetta, Rama Hall, 8.15 p.m.

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★ **Theatre: —**

"Frei Kegn Frei" Dina Halpern (from U.S.A.), Tiferet Hall, 8.30 p.m.

RAANANA

★ **Theatre:—**

Idische Folks Bine with Diana Blumenfeld, Jonas Turkow in "Ganavim," Beit Hapoalim, 8 p.m.

PETAH TIKVA

★ **Theatre:—**

Habimah, "King Lear," 8 p.m.

NATANYA

★ **Theatre: —**

Cameri Theatre, "Come Back, Little Sheba", Sharon, 8 p.m.

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322, 249, 48.9 & 25.5 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.00, 8.15, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 5 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m.

6.00 a.m. Morning Programme (Haifa only). 6.30 Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Morning Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Opera (R). 1.45 Break for Music. 2.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Mif'al Ha'payis Draw. 4.15 Light Music. 4.35 Piano Recital: Varda Nishri. 5.00 Mif'al Ha'payis. 5.15 Working Women. 5.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 Folklore. 7.00 Youth Programme. 7.25 Cantoral Requests. 7.50 Literature Corner. 8.15 Bible Reading. 8.45 Newsreel. 9.00 Information Please. 9.25 "Words and Music" Shavuot Programme. 9.45 Vocal Recital: Annette Yeel-Brun. 10.10 Classical Request Programme: Symphony No. 3 "Eroica" (Beethoven). 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
497, 450, 225, 216, 48.9 & 25.5 M.

English News: 1.45, 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Advanced Hebrew Lesson. 8.15 Close Down. 8.45 Rumanian. 9.00 Hungarian. 9.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): (South Africa Programme): 6.30 p.m. News. 6.40 "Ask the Expert." 6.45 Your Record Requests. 7.00 Hebrew Programme. 7.15 Close Down.

11.15 p.m. News. 11.25 "Ask the Expert." 11.30 Your Record Requests. 11.45 The Week's News.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 225 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Recital. 7.00 Requests. 7.30 Tomorrow's "Bamahane." 8.00 Musical Key. 8.30 News. 8.45 Vocal Recital Rema Samsonov. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

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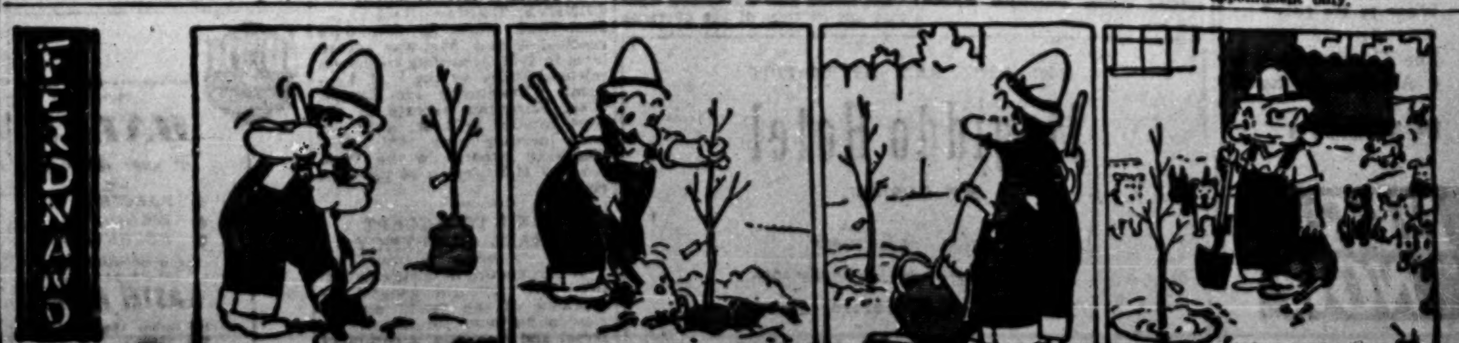

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Tiberias	35	20	32	30
Haifa Port	71	20	25	26
Natanya	64	17	27	26
Tel Aviv Kirya	67	15	26	24
Tel Aviv Port	79	18	26	23
Lydda Airport	55	13	29	27
Jerusalem	33	19	26	22
Beersheba	31	13	31	29
Eilat	7	29	39	36
Sdom	20	22	—	—

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THE CORNERSTONE of "Neve Ezer," a new housing project to be erected by the Pagi Financial Corporation, will be laid today in Bayit Vegan, Jerusalem.

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A TOTAL of IL1,200 in prizes will be distributed to 26 entrants in a garden contest arranged by the Development Authority for its tenants in Jerusalem, on Sunday. No garden was found worthy of the first prize of IL300 which will be shared by the runners-up.

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JERUSALEM PARENTS who have entered their children in private kindergartens must also register them at the Education Department of the Municipality. They must bring with them a statement from the kindergarten manager which will serve to free them from paying tuition fees to the Municipality.

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MR. ZVI NEUMAN, recently exonerated of charges of defrauding the Jerusalem Municipality, has been re-employed by the Municipality.

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SOME 1,400 children, double last year's number, were registered for kindergartens in Beersheba for the coming school year. Elementary school classes in the town will also be increased by about 30 per cent taking in a further 1,200 pupils.

Five-Day Flower Show Opens in Haifa

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Unperturbed by journalistic assaults on the Town Hall, Mayor Abba Khoushy calmly opened the Municipality's fourth annual five-day Flower Festival in Gan Binyamin today.

Entirely unconcerned with public issues were the flowers, whose colours, beauty and fragrance were a delight. Among the spectators this year were many guests from abroad. A group of 41 Swedish pilgrims who spent six days here under the auspices of the Stockholm "Svenska Journalen," sang a specially composed song devoted to the Flower Festival and the Swedish national hymn. "We love flowers as you do," their spokesman said. "God bless you and God bless Israel."

The variety, splendour and richness of colour of the flowers are an eloquent tribute to the skill of Israel's gardeners, both professional and amateur. The show is skilfully presented by the Municipality's Development Department and the Ministry of Agriculture, the Horticulturists Association and others.

The show will remain open daily from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. A post office there will sell envelopes with a special post mark. In the afternoon, the Mayor opened an exhibition of flower paintings by schoolchildren throughout the country from Menara to Ruhama, in the South. Of about 1,000 entries, 300 were selected and 50 prize-winning children will be the guests of the Town Hall for one day.

In the evening, the Haifa Orchestra gave a festive concert under the baton of the American conductor, Simon Asen, permanent conductor of the Westchester Philharmonic Orchestra, with Miss Brenda Lewis, of the New York Metropolitan Opera, as soloist.

Bus Firms Ready To Retrench

A retrenchment plan designed to prevent deficits in the future was submitted by the bus cooperatives to the Ministry of Transport at a meeting with Mr. Joseph Saphir, the Minister of Transport, in Jerusalem yesterday.

The proposals submitted were of a general nature and their full implications would have to be worked out by Ministry officials who would make their findings available by next Monday, the Minister stated.

The matter would then be referred to the Economic Ministers for their final decision.

In answer to a question by correspondents regarding the Kishon dispute, Mr. Saphir revealed that apart from matters of secondary importance the question was, for all practical purposes, settled.

THE CONDITION of Miss Tuva Rot, who was seriously wounded at her home yesterday by Mendel Schwartz, who then shot himself, was stated by the Tel Hashomer Hospital to be satisfactory today.

Children's Offerings of First Fruits, Flowers Herald Shavuot

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Branches and flowers were distributed to representatives of synagogues yesterday following the ceremony of the Opening of the Gates of Mount Zion, heralding the *Shavuot* festival.

During the day, Jerusalem schoolchildren gathered in the Jewish National Fund courtyard to present *bikkurim* (first fruit) offerings to the J.N.F.

During the afternoon, some 1,000 pupils of the sixth grade marched from the Lemel School to the J.N.F. courtyard carrying baskets of fruits and flowers. Leading the parade were two boys mounted on flower-garlanded horses, followed by a tractor-drawn wagon containing farm produce, several chickens and a kid.

White-robed girls, crowned with circlets of flowers and carrying sheaves of wheat, presented harvest dances. A police band and a 50-voice school choir contributed to the general air of spring gaiety. During the morning, kindergarten children held their own *bikkurim* festival in the courtyard.

Tomorrow, *Shavuot* eve, 150 candles will be lit in the Tomb of David to correspond with the number of the Psalms of David. Twenty-two crowns, the number of kings in David's line, will be placed on the tomb in keeping with the belief that David was born and died on *Shavuot*.

Pilgrims to the Mount will be able to send letters at a special post office that will be opened tomorrow. The police band will play in the courtyard of David's Tomb from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday.

No Permit Requested For Ma'agan Flight

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday. — No request was made for a permit for the flight over Ma'agan, which caused the death of 17 persons at the memorial meeting there in July, 1954, and the Israel Aero Club did not issue such a permit, Mr. David Barness, the Club's legal adviser, stated here in the District Court today. He testified at the trial of Uri Galin, 26, pilot of the Piper Cub which crashed into the crowd.

Galin is charged with causing the death of the 17 victims through negligence.

Mr. Barness, in answer to the prosecution, said that it was not permitted to fly at a dangerously low level. According to the law, a written permit was needed for low flights and for the dropping of objects by parachute. Since the State was established, only seven permits for the parachuting of leaflets, flowers etc. were issued.

Only once was a verbal permit issued, because of lack of time. That was during the floods when urgent food supplies had to be dropped to isolated settlements.

When issuing a permit, the Club sets conditions on the height of flights, especially over populated areas. In January, 1954, the Club issued a permit for a flight over Tel Aviv for the purpose of dropping leaflets.

The condition was that two persons would man the plane, one to drop the leaflets and the other to pilot the machine. Galin was one of the two men in that case.

Must Serve in Army Before Emigrating

A Christian convert born and educated in this country, who has expressed a desire to emigrate to the U.S.S.R., must report for military service. The Supreme Court sitting in Jerusalem as the Court of Criminal Appeals ruled this yesterday in upholding a decision of the Tel Aviv District Court.

The man, Ze'ev Farhomenco, 20, was converted to the Russian Orthodox faith in Jaffa in 1954. He substantiated his statement of his intended emigration to Russia by producing a document from the Russian Consulate which said that he had requested an entrance visa. *(Itim)*

THE POST OFFICE announced yesterday that requests in writing would no longer be accepted for the 120 pruta parachutist stamp. Those interested must appear in person at the Philatelic Service, 2 Rehov Pinsker, Tel Aviv.

Rapid Progress On Religious Centre

Cementing the ground floor of the Supreme Religious Centre in Rehov King George in Jerusalem took place yesterday in the presence of Chief Rabbis I. H. Herzog and Y. Nissim, the Minister for Religious Affairs and Social Welfare, Mr. Moshe Shapiro, the Deputy Minister, Mr. Z. Wahrhaftig, and Knesset members.

Mr. Shapiro welcomed the Chief Rabbis and members of the Centre Committee, and expressed his pleasure at being able to participate in the first ceremony actually standing on the floor of "this great and historic edifice."

"It must be a source of pride," he said, "to all who have given their assistance to this project, and are still helping to make its realization possible." He paid special tribute to Mr. Isaac Wolfson of London whose continuous and munificent support had made it possible to embark on this ambitious scheme.

Mr. M. Jaffe, the Hon. Executive Director of the Centre, gave details concerning the offices of the Chief Rabbinate, the Supreme and District Religious Courts, synagogue, library, convocation hall, religious museum, research centres, and the various other departments, which the seven-and-a-half storey building will house.

Dispute Over Burials In Negev

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday. — A dispute has broken out between the Municipality here and the Negev Rabbinate over the question of the burial of the dead.

The Chief Rabbi of the Negev, Rabbi S. Tenewitzki, demands that men and women should be buried in separate places in accordance with traditional law, and that there should be different burial sites for the deceased according to merit.

Opposing this, the Mayor of Beersheba, Mr. David Tuviyahu, said last night at the Municipality meeting that it was undemocratic and no distinctions could be made between the dead. He strongly objected to the *shammas* of the Burial Society having the authority to decide where a person should be buried.

GRAPES ARE selling for their lowest price in years due to warm weather which has ripened most early varieties at one time. In Jerusalem, 300 crates, each containing 20 kilograms, are received daily by Tnuva alone. The wholesale price is 600 pruta a kilogram.

Small Nations Must Fight For Peace—Prof. Bertelsen

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Small nations like Israel and Denmark were obliged to fight for humanity, goodwill, peace and justice, Prof. Aage Bertelsen, who saved several thousand Danish Jews from the Nazis, told the Press here today.

"In your country I have seen the realisation of this spirit," Prof. Bertelsen said.

The rescue of Jews from the hands of the Gestapo had not been looked upon by the Danish people as something extraordinary, he added. Any human being would have done the same thing, he said.

Continuing in the same modest manner, the great humanitarian asked that he and his wife should not be regarded as the only Danes who rescued Jews. "From the man in the street to King Christian X, Danish men and women in all walks of life were engaged in the work."

Prof. Bertelsen described his wife as the "central figure in the rescue operations." He asked that special mention be made of Copenhagen University which had operated a similar escape organization.

The book which he had written describing the "Exodus" operation of October 1943 was not just to tell the story of the period, said the speaker. His main aim was to combat anti-Semitism.

Mr. A. Rice, of the World Jewish Congress Executive, who introduced Prof. and Mrs. Bertelsen, said that they had conducted "the Dunkirk of Danish Jewry."

The two guests leave Israel on Friday. On their return to Denmark, Prof. Bertelsen will resume his duties as the principal of a secondary school. He was formerly a teacher of the history and philosophy of religion and has written a book on the Old Testament.

Nine More Coming From Russia

Nine immigrants from the Soviet Union are expected to arrive by El Al at Lydda today to join their relatives, the Jewish Agency's Immigration Department announced yesterday.

A total of 190 immigrants are expected to arrive in Haifa tomorrow in the s.s. Artza. Of this group, 159 are from North Africa, 12 from Poland, eight from Hungary, five from Germany, four from Czechoslovakia, and two from Bulgaria.

Fathers Neglect and Abandon Children

HAIFA, Tuesday. — A resident of the Ir Hamifratz *ma'bara* near here today brought his four young children to the local Welfare Ministry branch, left them there and ran away. Police are now looking for Shlomo Assaretz, who is believed to be the man in question.

At the Ahuza *ma'bara*, the man who left his four children, aged from nine months to five years, unattended while he went to work, refused to allow a woman sent by the Social Welfare Department to look after them and threatened her. The *ma'bara's* social worker lodged a complaint with the police. The man, Moshe Torashiya, left the children alone because his wife is in hospital.

RATION NEWS

The oil ration for June has been increased from 1,000 to 1,100 gms. All institutions which have received additional meat rations will continue to receive such quantities at controlled prices even after the lifting of meat controls, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry has announced.

JERUSALEM: Valencia oranges and grapefruit: 500 gms. each. Sausage: 250 gms. for labourers for each of coupons 60, 61, 62, 81 and 82.

HAIFA & HADERA DISTRICTS: Valencia oranges and grapefruit: 800 gms. each. Filled chocolate: 1 package for Aleph, Bet and Gimel cards, no coupon, temp. 12. Semolina: 600 gms. for Aleph and Bet cards, no coupon, temp. 22. White sugar: 400 gms. for labourers, coupon 81.

TEL AVIV & SOUTH: Valencia oranges and grapefruit: 800 gms. each. Frozen meat: 100 gms., Tav Bet 28, temp. 28. Invalids: 500 gms. for each of coupons Het Gimel 19 and 20. Cocoa: 150 gms. for Aleph and Bet cards, no coupon, temp. 16. Filled chocolate: 1 package for Aleph, Bet and Gimel cards, no coupon, temp. 12. Sugar: 1 kilo and 500 gms. additional for Aleph cards, Feh 25, temp. 2.

Falcinelli, Oved To Meet at Ramat Gan

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—The first professional boxing match ever to be held in Israel will take place at Ramat Gan stadium, tomorrow night, when 19-year-old David Oved, this country's only professional pugilist, will meet Ameleto Falcinelli of Italy, nine years his senior, in a fight of eight 3-minute rounds.

Oved, who began his boxing career with Haifa Maccabi, had meteoric success as an amateur in Israel, losing only one of 28 fights. Entering the professional game in the U.S., he maintained this record by winning all his ten bouts. He recently returned to this country to join the Army, which gave him a short deferment so that this contest could be held.

His opponent, Falcinelli, who arrived at Lydda early today with his manager, Mr. L. Proietti, is an experienced professional boxer. In the last seven years he has fought 112 contests, losing only 16. He fought the European featherweight champion, Peter Kane from Scotland, to a draw in 1949.

The weigh-in will be tomorrow and the boxers are expected to tip the scales at about 58 kilos. The contest will take place in cooperation with the Boxing Committee of the Israel Sports Federation.

Impresario Angry At Rotary Over Tour

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—A demand that a public committee be established to investigate the facts connected with the forthcoming visit to this country of the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team, was made by the impresario, Mr. Kalman Ginsburg, here yesterday.

Mr. Ginsburg complained that he had been trying for a few years to arrange the tour of the famous U.S. team and now, just when he was about to succeed, the Rotary club had taken it away from him. He said that the officers of the Club had refused to allow him to participate in the planning of the tour, and he was afraid that their inexperience in making arrangements of this kind would reflect badly on the Israel sport world.

The President of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club, Mr. Wellesly Aron, told *The Jerusalem Post* that several people had been trying to arrange the visit of the Globetrotters and the Club had succeeded because they were not doing it for profit. All the proceeds would go to a fund to provide playgrounds for neglected youth.

Several of the members of the Club had underwritten the tour from their own private resources, *The Jerusalem Post* was told.

Doctors Threaten 'Partial Strike'

The National Council of the State-Employed Physicians Organizations has delegated its National Committee to declare a "partial strike" if an agreement on new wage scales is not reached by June 15. Such a strike would involve working only a specified number of hours.

A 30 per cent increase in salaries retroactive to April will be accepted as a temporary adjustment.

The Committee was also delegated to set up an Actions Committee, composed of two members in hospital service and one from a Health Office, to prepare the implementation of the passive strike.

The Council joined in the protest made last week by the National Council of the Israel Medical Association against two draft laws now before the Knesset. The first empowers only the Histadrut and the Civil Servants Union to represent Government workers and the second fixes the pension age at 65.

MR. EMANUEL DEE AT THE ORPHANAGES

At a special meeting of the Committee of the Society of Orphanages (founded by I.L. Bluvstein), held yesterday, the President of the Society, Dr. J. Raffalovich, welcomed Mr. Emanuel Dee on his arrival in Israel. The Chairman of the Executive, Mr. H. Kaufman, explained the present needs of orphanages.

Mr. Dee was elected an Honorary Life Member of the Council. He is fond of children and has been a friend and staunch supporter of the orphanages. *(Advt.)*

Swedish 'Sandwich' Plan For Vocational Training

Only 350 to 400 youths complete vocational training and practice their trade out of 22,000 to 24,000 available students. A "sandwich" plan which would double the turnover of vocational students while paying parents IL1,000 during the three-year course was outlined yesterday in Jerusalem by Mr. Akiva Atzmon.

Mr. Atzmon, former Gadna Commander with the rank of Aluf-Mishne, started formulating the plan when he headed the Manpower Division in the Ministry of Labour and brought it to completion after he joined the Ministry of Development as Deputy Director-General.

The "sandwich" plan, is based on the Swedish system of alternating theoretical and practical work in schools with on-the-job training in factories and workshops.

The plan is to be implemented on a trial basis on June 20 when 210 students enter three schools: the Ort school in Rehovot and the vocational schools of the Tel Aviv and Haifa Municipalities. Success has been assured since places for the on-the-job training have already been acquired by employers who were willing to get apprentices that were continuously broadening their theoretical and practical knowledge.

The Working Youth Organization has not only enthusiastically endorsed the plan but has also agreed that employers pay 20 to 25 per cent less in wages.

Protection of Local Products Urged

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Representatives of the Committee for the Protection of Local Products, set up by the Manufacturers Association, appeared before the Knesset's Economic Committee today at the latter's request, for a comprehensive discussion on the subject of competitive imports and the implementation of the recommendations made by the Economic Committee last February.

They emphasized that the Knesset Committee's basic recommendations had not yet been put into effect. Instead of one central authority for issuing import permits, at least 15 authorities continued to grant permits, and only a few of them cooperated with public committees.

The Committee's attention was also drawn to cases of inequality in levying customs duties. At the end of the session, the Chairman announced that the Committee would discuss the matter of competitive imports in the light of the facts placed before it, and would continue to remain in contact with the Committee for the protection of local products.

Cables in Brief

PROSTITUTION. — Representatives of Japanese women's organizations today visited Premier Ichiro Hatoyama and urged him to "take aggressive measures to stamp out prostitution," and asked the Government to submit an anti-prostitution bill in the Diet.

BIRTHDAY. — Rosalia Spoto, believed to be Italy's oldest inhabitant, celebrated her 109th birthday in Palermo yesterday. Among presents will be a cheque for 100,000 lire from the Government.

MOSLEMS.—Thousands of Moslems gathered for prayers in Moscow's central mosque to mark the end of the month-long *Ramadan* fast and the beginning of the *Id el Fitr*, TASS reported yesterday.

MOUNTAINEERS.—Two young American mountain climbers were found dead yesterday in a deep gully of Britain's 4,406-foot Ben Nevis, a rugged peak whose slopes plunge sharply into disguised crevasses. They were found roped together.

EINSTEIN. — Congressman Emanuel Celler introduced a bill to erect a memorial in honour of the scientific achievements of the late Dr. Albert Einstein.

U.S. Confusion Over Polio Shots Increases

CHICAGO, Tuesday (UP). — Calls for Government action to end the confusion over the Salk polio vaccine increased today as three cities cancelled their mass inoculation programmes. The cancellations were carried out in Brockton, Mass., Milwaukee, Wis., and Alameda, California.

Polio authorities in the three cities flatly rejected to cooperate saying Government indecision had created confusion in the public mind.

Meanwhile, an Idaho man died of bulbar polio after his two children had received Salk shots. A survey showed that 99 children had come down with polio after receiving inoculations.

I.P.O. AT LUGANO

At their concert at Nice on Monday, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra was enthusiastically received though the concert hall was not full. The Orchestra was due to leave yesterday for Lugano where it will give a performance under the baton of Leonard Bernstein.

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We announce with deep sorrow the death of
Mr. Mordecai Nachman Aronowsky ז"ל
of NEW YORK CITY
The funeral will take place today, May 25, 1955, (4 Sivan 5715), from the Shaarei Zedek Hospital, Jerusalem, at 9 a.m.
The Bereaved Family

We deeply mourn the loss of
Prof. Itzhak Eleazari-Volcani
Founder and first director of the
Agricultural Experimental Station, Rehovot,
and extend our heartfelt sympathy to the
bereaved family.
The funeral will leave from the Station's courtyard today, May 25, 1955, at 1.30 p.m. and will proceed to the Nahalal Cemetery, where the burial will take place place at 4.30 p.m.
Management and Staff,
Agricultural Experimental Station,
Rehovot.

The Directorate of
The Jewish National Fund
deeply mourns the passing of
Prof. Itzhak Eleazari-Volcani
Member of the Jewish National Fund
Directorate, Scientist, Scholar and
active Zionist.

Death of Prof. Volcani

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chosen because of its close personal and ideological ties with the deceased.

Sprinzak Tribute

"Yitzhak Volcani was a gifted writer, whose talents ranged over many fields, the spokesman of the constructive forces of Zionist pioneering, fusing both social and agricultural values," wrote Mr. Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the Knesset, of his life-long friend, only a month ago.

"The return to the soil constituted an aspiration common to all Zionist leaders, but Volcani's unique contribution lay in his implanting at one and the same time in the youth, the secrets of farming and land settlement and our social and national ideals.

"He devoted much time to acquainting us with what was being done in "Foreign Fields" (the title of one section of his collected works) but only for the purpose of bringing us closer in body and soul to our own fields.

"His life's work and aspirations lay in efforts to achieve a sound and stable renaissance for the Jewish people living on its own soil."

Prof. Volcani was born in Russia and attended the Universities of Berlin and Koenigsberg, receiving the Diploma of Agriculture from the latter. On coming to this country in 1908, he immediately placed his expert agricultural knowledge at the service of the *Yishuv* and became head of the Ben Shemen and Hulda farms of the Jewish National Fund.

During the nine years he occupied this position he also served for four years as Chief Agricultural Adviser to the Palestine Office of the Zionist Organization in Jaffa. In 1921 he helped to found the Jewish Agency's Agricultural Research Station at Rehovot, and served as its Director for over 30 years.

Prof. Volcani played an important role in the founding of the University's School of Agriculture in 1940 and in its development into a full-fledged Faculty. Years before this he had frequently discussed with Dr. Chaim Weizmann the steps to be taken to foster agriculture in the country, and with the opening of the Hebrew University in 1925 he welcomed the possibilities that were opened up in this direction. He became the first chairman of the school and the first graduates, being appointed to the Ruth Ochberg Chair of Agriculture (Farm Management). He retired in 1951.

Prof. Volcani was the author of many publications on agricultural problems in this country. He also at various times served on a number of public bodies, among them the General Agricultural Council of the Government of Palestine, the International Conference of Agricultural Economists, the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Palestine War Supply Board, and the Palestine Board for Scientific and Industrial Research. He was also a Corresponding Member of the Agricultural Economics Research Institute, University of Oxford.

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	56,300,000	47,730,000

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Cash, Banks and Government Securities	15,060,000	11,430,000
Advances, Loans, Bills, Investments and other Accounts	22,810,000	20,710,000
Loans in connection with Government Special Deposits	5,940,000	3,850,000
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BEGINNING AT LACHISH

QUIETLY and unobtrusively the first families of the Lachish settlement scheme moved into their houses at Otzem yesterday. It had not been intended that the scheme should open without ceremony but the death of Professor Yitzhak Volcani, veteran head of the Experimental Station at Rehovot, led to the postponement of what was to be dubbed officially "Lachish Day."

The new plan to open up this area of the country to agricultural settlement has led to a great deal of controversy among agricultural experts, planners and economists, but the decision to go on with the proposal was not entirely based upon the immediate economic viability of the plan. The fact is that Lachish is at the gateway to the Negev and, in the final analysis, the settlement of this area of Israel is a political priority of the first order.

But the difficulties are real. The stretch of country is nearly arid and the sea breeze does not reach it sufficiently to moderate the heat. In pre-State days the Arabs who occupied it only raised sheep and a very poor quality barley. If water is brought to Lachish from the Yarkon pipeline there are some who hold the view that this must be at the expense of parched existing settlements.

But all these difficulties, which the protagonists of the scheme have had to deal with from the very start, must, in the peculiar circumstances of Israel be looked upon as a challenge. The problems presented by Lachish are those that have characterized the whole question of the acquisition and development of land from the very beginning. They are, if one wishes to use the word, Zionist problems. The claim that Zionists made and which Israel, the heir to the movement, continues to urge, is that it is just this conquest of the desert in every department of life that the Jewish State is resolved to accomplish. We have to make schemes like Lachish work, for upon them depends our whole future. They constitute in the end our real right to this part of the world. We alone can redeem it from barrenness and neglect and make it fruitful.

Moreover, the Lachish scheme is not just one of agricultural settlement of new immigrant families alone. It is more than that. It is the blueprint of several revolutionary developments in our rural economy. Here is an attempt to realize the creation of a new properly balanced rural, urban and industrial economy deep in the heart of the country and away from the large dense areas of city population. The blue-print presupposes that the settlers will grow industrial crops and that an urban centre will be set up to process them. In addition of course, each family will have its home farm with vegetables and livestock to provide its own food.

The second new idea being tried out at Lachish is the introduction of the aid of "Metah" (*Mifal Ta'asuka Haklait*), the *Moshav* enterprise designed to help new settlers who are unable to run their own farms, even before the new pioneers there call for its assistance. Hitherto, "Metah" came to the rescue of farms and villages which had patently failed. Now at Lachish, its work is to be preventive rather than curative. It is obvious that if the damage wrought by several years of inexperience, idleness and suffering can be avoided altogether at Lachish by the importation of these skilled teams from the start, a valuable new lesson will have been tested and learned in rural settlement.

The new families at Otzem are taking up their inheritance on the eve of the Feast of *Bikkurim*, the first ripe fruits. May it be a happy omen for them of many years of fat and fruitful harvests.

HOROWITZ IN BRUSSELS

BRUSSELS, Tuesday (INA). — Mr. David Horowitz, Governor of the Bank of Israel, has arrived here to speak on behalf of the Israel Bond Drive.

Violence Spreads in North Africa

Day-to-Day News in Form of Military Communiques

By **NORA BELOFF**

PARIS, (OFNS).—DAY-to-day news from French North Africa is increasingly taking the form of military communiques and though they rarely publicly admit it, more and more Frenchmen are coming to dread a repetition of the Indo-China type war, but this time in an area where two million Europeans and close geographic proximity would make eviction for France infinitely more disastrous.

Officially there are three separate territories involved, the Protectorates of Tunisia and Morocco, separated by the "Department" of Algeria administratively annexed to France. But in practice both the Moslem populations and the French settlers are becoming increasingly aware that the basic problems of coexistence or conflict are the same.

For the time being and perhaps, not for long, Algeria is the centre of the trouble: here, first, in the Aures mountainous plateau and now spreading over the other regions, single acts of individual violence, assassination and banditry are being replaced by organized rebellion run by leaders whose military competence the French themselves have acknowledged. Bands of up to 100 men are organizing sudden raids on the villages, killing pro-French elements and confiscating what they need for livelihood while other units organize diversionary activity to keep the French armed forces elsewhere. The number of patriots or desperadoes willing to risk their lives in the struggle are, of course, only a tiny fraction of the backward, rural population overwhelmingly preoccupied with the struggle to stay alive.

But what worries the French authorities here as, once upon a time, it worried them in Indo-China is the evidence that the Algerian population — whether through fear of the rebels or through a sense of native solidarity — is on the side of resistance. Last week, as events went from bad to worse and as the Governor-General sent out emergency requests, granted by the French Government in successive Cabinet meetings, for additional reinforcements of a whole division, for more planes and helicopters, for the recall of reserve officers with North African training, for the right to use naval units in support of the land forces, for funds to reinforce the native auxiliary police, the local authorities decided they must also move against the non-active sympathizers.

Terrorist Defined

Taking the occasion of the official funeral service for an Arab chief of the Goum auxiliary police force assassinated by the resistance, a local French official announced the decision that "from today on any oasis, or village or agglomeration of houses where acts of sabotage or murder are committed, the people will be made collectively responsible for the damages and be forced to pay." Even more severely, since this meant not just a fine but perhaps death, he added "whoever fails to report on the presence of a terrorist will be considered as a terrorist himself."

But while the military are given a free hand in meeting what is principally a military responsibility, the real struggle on which the future of French North Africa depends is going on between French civilians themselves. The quarrel reduces itself to the simple question of whether the Arab challenge is to be met by reconciliation or force, or, to put it in another way, by a capitulation or resistance. There is little doubt the majority of French people in France and an increasing number of settlers in the three Dependencies are favourable to compromise; that is to say, to the transfer of real power to enable the Arabs to run their own affairs and to become effective partners in a French-Arab Union. But under the French Parliamentary system, which very much over-represents the rural and conservative regions and where so much of the working-class, by voting Communist, is out of Governing councils altogether, the defenders of the status quo have a considerable political advantage.

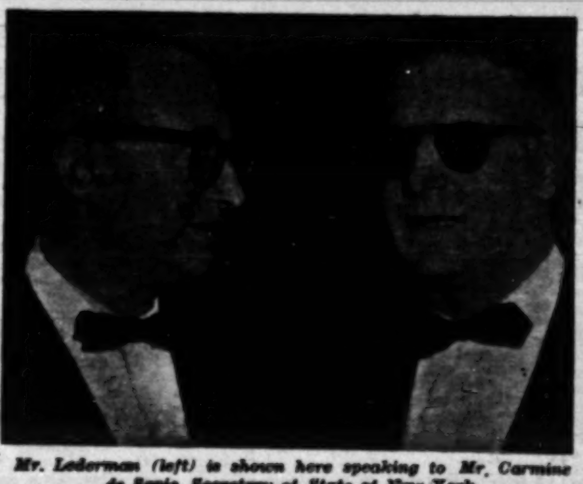
Former Prime Minister Pierre Mendes-France, riding high on the tide of popularity he gained by making peace in Indo-China, inaugurated the new policy of concessions almost a year ago, and in Tunisia armed resistance bands have agreed to hand in their weapons in return for amnesty and prospective self-government. Although Mendes-France was defeated on the issue of Tunisian self-government, this was by a coalition of people who wanted his defeat on internal as well as foreign policy so that his successor, M. Edgar Faure, without the same political opposition, has taken up where he left off and has a much better chance of gaining Parliamentary approval for the Franco-Tunisian conventions on which the final drafting is going on in Paris this week.

In Morocco, on the other hand, Mendes-France's predecessors had hopelessly compromised relations between the French and the Nationalist groups by sponsoring and assisting the forcible deposition of the nationalist Sultan. M. Mendes-France never managed to turn the tide and M. Faure took over a situation of rising terrorism and mutual distrust which continues. M. Faure is known to share M. Mendes-France's view that the deposition was a tragic error and that there must be some compromise on the dynastic issue. But he is hemmed in by opposition inside his own Cabinet, which is considerably more conservative than the Mendes-France team, and delays and continued bloodshed are hardening resistance on both sides.

Finally, in Algeria, M. Mendes-France sent out as Governor-General M. Jacques Soustelle, a Gaullist and eminent anthropologist, who shared his view on the requirements for a new economic deal and a fairer share of administrative responsibility. Here there can be no question of treating Algeria as a separate national entity, but M. Soustelle nevertheless collided with the conservative French section of colonizers when he tried to get in touch with the non-extremist Arab nationalists and impose on his local administration the observance of the freedom of political gatherings which gave the moderate Nationalist Party considerable successes in the recent cantonal elections. It is common knowledge in Paris that the "African lobby" regards M. Soustelle as a traitor and might even make his expulsion a condition for continuing to support the Faure Government.

The immediate prospects for a bold and comprehensive North African policy to meet the crisis are still remote. But in the long run an increasing number of French people are becoming despaired by the sequence of events and demanding a change.

Travelling recently in south-west France, I was told by the editor of a local newspaper in Toulouse that one in ten of the people in that area had family or near friends in North Africa and were deeply concerned about the conflict. "They cannot help wondering," he said, "whether we could not preserve the kind of partnership which Britain has managed to maintain with India." Among many of the farmers, senior administrators, engineers and business men in French North Africa, committees are being formed and meetings being held arguing for partnership rather than repression in France's own interests. If the Tunisian agreement can be effectively implemented, we may be much nearer the turning point than the whirling turmoil of Paris politics suggests, but it still remains to be seen whether the change will come before riot and massacre rule out any chances of reconciliation.


Mr. Lederman (left) is shown here speaking to Mr. Carmine de Sapio, Secretary of State of New York.

Quick-Moving New Yorker

By **AVRAHAM BEN-HAIM**

TAMMANY HALL: . . . central organisation of the Democratic Party in the City of New York
(Shorter Oxford Dictionary)

In Israel at present is a quick-moving New Yorker who holds three jobs which are of great importance to millions of Americans — as well as to a million-and-a-half Israelis. George Lederman, with Mrs. Lederman, is a guest of the Israel Bond Drive, and holds positions as Treasurer of Tammany Hall, Commissioner of Public Works and leader of two locals of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters Union.

Mr. Lederman has iron-grey hair and quick grey eyes. He thinks fast and admittedly talks "straight." He came to America from Poland with his father, a Rabbi, and his mother when he was six. After spending a childhood divided between New York and Los Angeles, Mr. Lederman became active in politics and in labour unions, becoming leader of the First Assembly District in New York at the age of 24 (almost 24 years ago). His co-leader was his mother, Rivka.

At the same time he entered the Leather Workers Union and then the butcher industry, eventually heading the poultry *shohtim* union and a butcher workers' local.

Eight years ago Mr. Lederman became Number Two man in the Tammany Organization, after Carmine De Sapio, who is now Secretary of State of New York. Mr. Lederman says that in the past Tammany had "made some bad mistakes," but has now cleaned out the "shady elements," abolished "backboard dealings," and given New York the "best administration," under Averill Harriman as State Governor, De Sapio as Secretary of State and Robert Wagner as Mayor, that it has ever had.

Sale of Bonds

Mr. Lederman has organized three dinners that have led to nearly $4m. in sales of Israel Bonds in the past few months. At one affair alone, in honour of Mr. De Sapio, $1.5m. was raised. Messrs. Harriman and De Sapio have become Guardians of Israel (holders of $1,000 in Israel Development Bonds), while Mr. Lederman is a Trustee (in the $10,000 bracket).

Mr. Lederman means a great deal politically as well as financially. For example, at the De Sapio dinner a few weeks ago, the guest of honour made an impassioned appeal against arming the Arabs. But in all his manifold public activities, Mr. Lederman retains his sense of balance. "I'm not 'holier than thou'," he says, "but by helping people and giving them service we are able to get their vote."

He illustrates this maxim with his Union activities. The *schohtim* union, for example, protects its members against non-scale pay and hours by collecting the salaries and paying the workers directly. Twenty years ago, he initiated in the same union a pensions scheme which pays the retiring worker 50 per cent of his last salary.

Mr. Lederman was a *haluts* in Herzliya's orange groves some 20 years ago and was wounded in an Arab raid. And when Mr. Lederman the triplebarrelled returns to New York and Tammany Hall, his pioneering for Israel will mean even more yet.

Israeli Foremen Train Abroad

ONE of the International Labour Office projects at present being carried out in Israel under U.N. Technical Assistance, in which Iran and Turkey also participate, consists in the sending of foremen teams abroad — generally to Western Europe. The selection is generally made jointly by the factory, a representative of the Government and a representative of the I.L.O.

Once selection is accomplished, placement is sought, taking into account on the one hand foreign languages spoken by the team leader and on the other hand all the factors permitting a comparison between the factory from which the foremen come and the factory abroad where they are to be sent. The placement of foremen is an extremely delicate problem, on account of economic difficulties faced by certain branches of industry in Western Europe. Another complication arises on account of production secrets which sometimes make access to factories in these branches quite impossible.

The foremen generally spend several days at Headquarters in order to improve their knowledge of languages; then they are sent to the host factory. At that moment they receive an allowance from the I.L.O. which permits them to learn, rather than to work as wage-earners, in the factory.

I.L.O. headquarters regularly sends responsible officials to visit the foremen in the host factory, in order to supervise the development of their training and the progress made by the team. The foremen return to Israel after two to six months. It is then that the most difficult and most important task is begun: the application of the skills acquired and the extent to which changes can be made in the factory concerned.

It can be stated, judging from observations and comments made by trainees who have returned, that the sending of foremen abroad is a useful and worth-while project. But it is essential that its administration, from the selection stage through the placement stage to the return of the trainees to their factories, be continuously improved.

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Readers' Letters

TEL AVIV SEASHORE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a citizen of Tel Aviv, I wish to protest against a glaring display of bad housekeeping and mistaken economy on the part of our Municipality.

The sea-front of this town is a disgrace against which the citizens have a right to voice their strong disapproval. One coat of lead in time would prevent the corrosion of the railings; seats could be repaired and the sand kept clean; even the deck chairs currently in use could be made both presentable and attractive by a touch of coloured paint and new canvas where needed. The cafes too could be encouraged to put on a cheerful coat of paint with perhaps a reduction of their taxes to cover this outlay.

It would add much to the comfort and hygiene of this town if more public lavatories were to be erected throughout the city.

Yours, etc.
(MRS.) ESTHER ORY.
Tel Aviv.

Municipality Replies

The Municipality intends to carry out the following improvements this season: painting the railings, repairing the benches and in general imparting a pleasant appearance to the promenade.

The writer is correct in saying that the beach chairs are not in a proper condition but the concessionaires' difficult financial situation prevents their investing money for acquiring new materials. We can only demand that the material should be whole and we cannot dictate the desirable colours.

Yours, etc.
M. KLIER
Acting Town Clerk
Tel Aviv, May 18.

OLD-AGE INSURANCE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Thank you for publishing my letter in your issue of May 10 and I also appreciate and understand Mr. Gafni's reply. Nevertheless, I shall not give up hope, or spare an effort to find a way of helping the old people who are at present excluded from the National Insurance Scheme.

There are a few other points which I would like to bring up in this connection:

1) According to information in my hands, the National Insurance Scheme which existed in Czechoslovakia solved the problem of the over-age limit by including such people in the scheme with full rights on condition that they paid certain taxes for the difference in years between their age and the age limit.

2) I feel certain that all the persons included in the National Insurance Scheme would be willing to pay another Pound or two a year to enable old people who are at present excluded to be included. The painful question could eventually be solved by such measures. Many younger people who are now obliged to provide for destitute parents who are unemployed and without means would certainly be very interested in this matter.

Yours, etc.,
An Old Working Engineer
(Name and Address Supplied)
Haifa.

ISRAEL AND BRITISH COMMONWEALTH ASS'N

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — May we draw the attention of your readers to the objects of the Israel and British Commonwealth Association "to encourage, develop and extend social, cultural and economic relations between the people of Israel and the peoples of the British Commonwealth of Nations."

Active branches of the Association have existed for some time in Tel Aviv and Haifa with 300 and 200 members respectively. The youngest branch, in Jerusalem, already numbers 120 members but we believe that many more of your readers subscribe to the objects, and we invite them to join us in our modest efforts.

The Hon. Secretary of the Jerusalem Branch (14 Rehov Straus, Tel. 5353) will be pleased to supply further particulars to those interested, and to accept applications for membership.

Yours, etc.
J. A. BRIN
Chairman, The Israel and British Commonwealth Association, Jerusalem Branch.
Jerusalem, May 24.

Yesterday's Press

Mapai Holds Its Own

NOW that the final returns have been published, several newspapers return in their editorials to the results of the Histadrut elections. "Davar" (Histadrut) says that the opposition fractions have failed in their attempt to whittle down Mapai's majority. The paper scolds some of the opposition parties, which participate in the management of Histadrut affairs on the highest level and at the same time, forgetting all about collective responsibility, criticize the Histadrut Executive.

Mapai's retention of its absolute majority despite so many years of grave responsibilities and much public and party criticism is an unprecedented achievement in a democratic country, write both "Hador" and "Yediot Aharonot." But while the former is deeply satisfied, the latter predicts that Mapai's troubles are far from over: it will suffer from the present swing to the right, which won it as many votes as it lost it in the Histadrut elections, but not so in the Knesset elections with their large non-worker electorate.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) prefers absolute to relative figures, stresses the fact that Mapam received more than 50,000 votes, and derives some comfort from the results of the elections to the Agricultural Workers Union, in which Mapam received more votes than Ahdut Ha'avoda. It accounts for the small increase in the vote of the non-socialist groups by the Mapai-General Zionist alliance.

"Ha'aretz" (non-party) expresses the belief that what with so many new immigrants taking part in the election for the first time, important changes are taking place in the voting habits of the population. The paper thinks it therefore a mere coincidence that Mapai received the same percentage of votes as in 1949. According to "Ha'aretz" the fact that Ahdut Ha'avoda got a few thousand votes more than Mapam is less significant than the decrease in the vote of the two groups together. The paper welcomes the rise of the two non-socialist factions.

For "Lamerhav" (Ahdut Ha'avoda) the returns are also a matter of much gratification: though the Mapam defeat was perhaps not so bad as it looked at first, the Hashomer Hatzair faction has certainly failed to "crush" its rivals of Ahdut Ha'avoda. "Lamerhav" and "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) also comment on the student elections at the Hebrew University.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) criticizes the Foreign Ministry's approach to the Johnston plan. The negotiations with our experts are factual — our men make use of maps and statistics — and it is even reported that differences of opinion have narrowed down considerably. But the Arab governments oppose the whole project and block any attempt at a fair distribution of water resources, and of what practical importance would any agreement with Mr. Johnston therefore be? The paper demands that the Cabinet take a stand on the whole issue at once.

"Zmanim" (Progressive) wants us to accept the reported Soviet offer of technical assistance via the U.N. provided no strings are attached. Israel public opinion wants to see in this Soviet step a recognition of the right of Jews throughout the world to come and settle here.

"Herut" comments on the forthcoming Ambassadors' conference at Hakirya and "Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) on a new dispute affecting the settlement of newcomers from North Africa in orthodox villages.

Musical Diary

Collegium Musicum: George Haas (Oboe), Hanoch Tel-Oren (Flute), Mark Roselaar (Cello), Arieh Sachs (Harpsichord), Max Lampel (Organ), "Collegium Musicum" String Ensemble, led by Isiah Braker (Y.M.C.A., May 23). Music by, Georg Muffat, Georg Boehm, Mozart, (J.C. Bach) Albinoni, Fiocco, Telemann.

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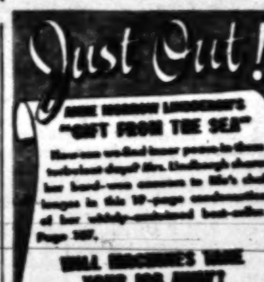

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